



What Is In the Church Of God

T—Truth. John 14:16.
H—Holiness. Rom. 6:22.
E—Eternal life. 1 John 5:20.

C—Christ. Luke 24:36; Matt. 18:20.
H—Happiness. John 13:17.
U—Unity. Eph. 4:3; Eph. 4:15.
R—Rejoicing. Acts 5:41; Rom. 12:12.
C—Charity. 1 Cor. 13:13.
H—Hope. 1 Thess. 5:8; 1 Peter 1:3.

O—Obedience. Rom. 16:19; 1 Peter 1:2.
F—Faith. Heb. 12:21; James 2:5.

G—Glory. 1 Cor. 11:7.
O—Overcomers. 1 John 5:4, 5.
D—Dead to sin. Rom. 6:11.

—Lewis Leverett, Langley, S. C.

THE GROUND OF

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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Notices

To the churches in Oklahoma: Brother Wiley Wright, Chandler, Okla., is looking after our Y. P. E. work. Please correspond with him relative to same. He is also looking after the state Sunday School work by consent of Brother Young of Maud who was elected as state Sunday School superintendent. And, too, remember to take an offering and forward to Brother A. E. Opsata, to defray expenses in having tabernacle moved to new and better location.—Very truly, S. J. Wood, state overseer.

GEORGIA STATE CONVENTION

Our state convention will convene May 7-10 at Macon, Ga. A large delegation will be in attendance and we sincerely hope every minister in the state can attend. Let every church put forth an effort to send their pastor. An offering should be taken in each church and given to the pastor to help pay his expenses to the convention.

Brother J. H. Walker, our General Overseer, will be with us; also several other leading ministers of the Church. Brother McCoy will be there with the Cleveland Brass Band, which will add much to our convention.

Free entertainment will be given but it will help us in this matter if our people will bring some bed clothes along with them. Don't forget to bring some produce to help feed those who attend the convention. Remember we will be looking for you at this great feast.—J. P. Hughes, overseer of Georgia.

The Church of God at Crane Eater wants to know the spiritual condition of Lonnie Kay, Emanuel Taylor, and Ora Corn. If not heard from they will be disfellowshipped at our next conference.—J. L. B. Poarch, clerk, Rt. 2, Calhoun, Ga.

To the Sunday Schools in Georgia: Greetings in Jesus' name. The Georgia state Sunday School convention will convene at Macon, Ga., Sunday, July 12. As this is the first Sunday of our Georgia state camp meeting, this will enable every one to attend the Sunday School convention as well as the camp meeting. All Sunday School superintendents and secretaries please make arrangements to be there.—W. H. Daniel, State S. S. Supt.

The Church of God Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn., would like to get in touch with Mrs. Nellie Dunaway. If any

one knows her address, kindly send it to us.

We have been in a revival at Hahira, Ga., since the 15th, with Brother Joe H. McCall in charge. God is blessing. We are expecting a big day in the Lord the first Sunday in May. Everybody is invited. Bring a good supply of the Spirit of God and a basket of good things to eat as we will have all-day services and dinner at the church. There will be a communion service Sunday night. Pray that God will have His own good way in this meeting.—A sister, Mrs. E. A. Allen.

There will be a home coming at Shady Grove Church, Magee, Miss., the third Sunday in May. We would be glad for all the members who have moved away to come and be with us. There will be dinner on the ground. Everybody is invited to come and bring a basket of good eats. We are expecting Brother J. C. Lintz to be with us. Everybody come.—S. B. Webb, pastor.

I am open for calls in evangelistic work. There is just wife and I and we both preach and play the guitar. Any one wanting us for a revival, write me.—Wallace Wilson, Rt. 3, Anniston, Ala.

The Oak Grove district convention will convene at the Oak Grove Church of God May 15-17, for the northern part of the State of Mississippi. You are invited to come and enjoy a feast from the Lord with us.—Yours for the Master, H. B. Magee, district overseer.

There will be an all-day service at the Cody Church of God on the first Sunday in May, which is the annual home coming. There will be a communion service and feet washing that night. All members who live off are especially urged to come. We invite the neighboring churches to come and take part in this feast.—Raymond Taylor, district pastor, R. F. D., Kennedy, Ala.

By the time you read this notice we will be in a revival, D. V. All of the nearby churches are invited to come over and help us. Mrs. L. Davis in charge of meeting.—Ray Collins, pastor, Statesville, N. C.

WANTED:—Some one to take an active part in the kitchen, who is able to cook and willing to donate their time for such a worthy cause, during the Georgia state meeting, Macon, Ga., May 7-10.—Orion L. Alewine.

The Church of God at Shepherds Fold, La., would like to hear from Melvina Berton, F. B. Nichols, T. J. Wilson, and

J. E. Brooks. If we don't hear from you by next conference we feel that we should exclude you from the church roll.—Martin Sharp, clerk; J. B. Cole, pastor, Covington, La.

Wife and I are in a revival at Pine Bluff, Ark. There is a great work to be done. We are pioneer workers. Pray for the meeting here. We will go to any new place. We are both Church of God evangelists.—M. A. Parker, 521 E. 8th St., Pine Bluff, Ark.

The Alabama state convention convenes at Pratt City, Ala., May 8-10. Each district pastor will report for his district. Pastors, please send your district pastor a report or bring it to him. The kind of report you furnish is the kind he will give for you, so please do your best to be 100 per cent on general indebtedness, missions, 10c per member for aged ministers, and camp ground. Service begins Friday night at 7:30. Everybody is invited to come and be with us for this great feast.—G. C. Dunn, state overseer of Alabama.

There will be a Mother's Day service at the Church of God at Mt. Gilliard, thirteen miles southwest of Red Bay, Ala., the second Sunday in May. Everybody come and bring well-filled baskets and let all of us enjoy ourselves in the Lord. We want to dedicate that day to God in memory of our mothers, both deceased and living.—Yours for the Master, O. L. Kent, Rt. 1, Box 54, Red Bay, Ala.

The district convention of the Church of God of Winding Gulf district, will convene at Rhodell, W. Va., May 22-24. Everybody is invited to attend this convention. Entertainment will be free to all delegates. Ministers working in this district will be expected to dismiss all regular services and attend this convention.—R. A. Fielden, district overseer.

The Church of God at Newry, S. C., wishes to know about the spiritual condition of C. W. Arnold. If not heard from by May 9, his name will be dropped from the roll.—Sam Leroy, clerk, Newry, S. C.

To the Church of God in the State of Georgia: As the state convention is drawing near, it is time to bestir ourselves concerning produce and cash for our free entertainment. Let us hear from you at once as to what you can do. Do your best as our delegation will be much larger than last year. Send or bring your offering. I would like to have a card from you, letting me know what you have to give.—Graham Oglesby, Box 487, Macon, Ga.

Baptism With The Holy Ghost and The Evidence

TEXT: 1 Cor. 1:7, 8, "So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ."

I use this text because I intend to show that the Holy Ghost is a gift, and that the Church, while waiting for the coming of the Lord, should come behind in no gift. The 8th verse shows that when Jesus comes and finds the Church behind in no gift, that He will confirm her unto the end that confirming her unto the end, she will be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now if I prove by the Bible that the Holy Ghost is a gift, what about those churches which teach the gifts are all done away with? (Not for us today.)

Jesus is to confirm the Church that comes behind in NO GIFT. The question is, What will Jesus do with that church which has no gifts, but instead is fighting the gifts? That church will not be confirmed unto the end, neither will that church be blameless in the day of our Lord.

THE HOLY GHOST IS A GIFT.

Peter says in Acts 2:38b, "And ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." This surely means the gift of the Holy Ghost, or that the Holy Ghost is the gift. In Acts 10:44-46, the Holy Ghost falling on Gentiles was called the gift of the Holy Ghost poured out upon them. In Acts 11:15 Peter further refers to the Holy Ghost falling on the Gentiles and in verse 17 says, "Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?" I think that this is enough to show that the Holy Ghost is termed a gift and the apostle Paul was giving the Church to understand that she should come behind in no gift.

HOLY GHOST IN OLD COVENANT DISPENSATION

In the old covenant all of God's people did not enjoy the anointing of the Holy Ghost, but God did bless some of them, especially the prophets, by sending the Holy Spirit to move upon them and in them, to make them able to perform a specific work. They often spoke of being moved upon by the Holy Ghost. We have no record that they spoke in other tongues. It seemed that the Spirit moved upon them to utter forth God's Word

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in their own native tongue. Num. 11:24, 25; 2 Sam. 23:2; Isa. 52:5.

John the Baptist, the forerunner of Christ, was filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb, but we have no record that he spoke in other tongues by the power of the Spirit, his career being in that age when the Holy Ghost was given to special persons for a special work, it being in the shadow of the old covenant. (In the new covenant the Holy Ghost is promised to all believers in Christ.) God through the Prophet Joel has promised to pour out His Spirit on all flesh. This means not only a special few, and these Jews only, but all flesh means all believers in Christ, both Jews and Gentiles. See Joel 2:28-30.

Some say that only the apostles received the Holy Ghost at Pentecost, but John the Baptist promised the Holy Ghost to the ones he baptized in water unto repentance, Matt. 3:11. John baptized many. See Matt. 3:5, 6.

Jesus told His disciples in John 14:15, 16, "If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever." He further states in the 17th verse, "For he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." Verse 26 says, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost." The "Shall be in you" in verse 17 is referring to Pentecost when they would be filled with the Holy Ghost. After Jesus had ascended back to Heaven, about one hundred and twenty of His disciples were assembled together. They rehearsed the saying of Jesus while He was with them between His resurrection and ascension, "For John truly baptized with water; but YE shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence." Acts 1:5.

Some use this word "ye" to try to prove that the Holy Ghost was only promised to the apostles, but Peter rehearsed the same word "ye" as meaning the Gentiles also who had heard the Word of God and were baptized with the Holy Ghost. See Acts 11:16. Surely the word "ye" means all believers in Christ.

THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY GHOST

The first record we have of a miraculous outpouring of the Holy Ghost is in Acts 2:4, "They were all filled with the

Holy Ghost." This is in accord with the promise of Joel, John the Baptist and Jesus Christ. Again in Acts 10:44 we are told that the Holy Ghost fell on some Gentiles while Peter was preaching. Verse 45 says that the believing Jews who had come with Peter were astonished because God poured out the "gift of the Holy Ghost on the Gentiles." This was about eight years after Pentecost and still the Holy Ghost was for them!

Our next record is in Acts 19:1-7. This was at Ephesus. Here Paul found twelve disciples who claimed John's baptism, but had not heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. When they heard Paul, they were baptized in water, surely the second time. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Ghost came on them. These were disciples (believers) before they received the Holy Ghost. 1 John 5:1 says, "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God." This destroys the idea that the instant one believes, they receive all that God has for them. This occurrence at Ephesus was about twenty-two years after Pentecost, and still the Holy Ghost was for them! Peter in Acts 2:38, 39, promised the gift of the Holy Ghost to the ones who were witnessing the Pentecostal manifestation and not only to them but to their children and to all that are afar off even as many as the Lord shall call. Those afar off were the Gentiles. (This gift, is the Holy Ghost as I have previously shown in Acts 10:45 and 11:17.) So that to come behind in no gift, we must have the Holy Ghost. (See our text.)

BIBLE EVIDENCE OF BAPTISM WITH HOLY GHOST

There is a Bible evidence of the baptism with the Holy Ghost so we may know when believers receive Him. In John 15:26 Jesus says that when the spirit of truth is come, He shall testify of me. Jesus is here telling us that the Holy Ghost is a personage and is going to come and when He comes He is going to talk, testifying of Jesus. Jesus further says in V. 27, "And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning." This shows there is a difference in the Holy Ghost testifying of Jesus and believers testifying of Jesus.

I have shown in John 15:26 that the Comforter (which is the Holy Ghost, John 14:26) was going to testify of Je-

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stitution will be doubly dear to the independence of our people, and we pray that our people will not make a mistake and place men in Washington who are not true to the Constitution of the United States. The liberty-loving people will have to defend it with redoubled vigor and vigilance. It seems to me this sacred subject is being dodged by so many who ought to be woke up to the fact of its importance.

Those who have visited Washington will remember how the Constitution of the United States is preserved. It is in a large dustproof case in which it and the Declaration of Independence are kept. The case itself is made of gray marble. A special glass is used to soften the light and thus preserve the paper from fading. Under the case is a green marble floor, around it is a dark marble rail. In front there is a prayer stool. It is not unusual to see visitors kneel there in silent reverence. The Declaration of Independence hangs on a wall in the upper case. The Constitution is directly under it in a table-like case. Both are completely shielded from human touch. Officers are always on hand to guard the precious document. Approximately one thousand people visit here every day. This precious marble shrine is kept on the second floor of the Congressional Library Building in Washington, D. C.

In reading this declaration it takes you from the Old Testament into the New with characteristic insight. We are told that the men who framed the Constitution believed in the moral law affirmed by Christ, and that this law so fully portrayed the liberties and rights of the people that the spirit of it is indestructible and runs like a golden thread through the whole affair. They did not contemplate any change whatever. Only laws and rules were made that were based on sound doctrine that would aid the common people and their support of this United States, and also help to enforce the morals and principles laid down by the Constitution. They did not contemplate any amendment at legalizing a government that sponsored a violation of the Ten Commandments. Indeed, the constitution itself agrees that an amendment which would violate the basic moral truth expressed in the Constitution, would be itself unconstitutional—invalid.

NECESSITY OF PRAYER

At most every crisis in this United States, the leaders have called for national prayer. At the time of the early settlers there was a call for Thanksgiving and prayer day. Abraham Lincoln in his administration made a special call for prayer, and it is said that the Senate and

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE

We are sorry to inform our readers and customers that this quarter's literature has been exhausted, with the exception of a few Beginner Quarterlies and cards for little folks. Somehow we failed to print enough to meet the demand. We increased the number of quarterlies, including the Intermediate. We will try to print a good supply next time.

INFORMATION

Recently one of our bishops spoke to me and said it had been told him that I had failed to co-operate with the General Overseer. He also told me that he had repeated this, not knowing the truth of the situation. I wish to state to the Church at large that I have co-operated with Brother J. H. Walker, General Overseer of The Church of God, every time opportunity afforded me that pleasure. I have never failed to give him the best advice that I could render when he called on me for advice. I have not tried to dictate to him how he should carry on the work as General Overseer. I have not taken up his valuable time by advising him, but I have co-operated with him in every question and in such matters as he felt that my advice would be of help.—S. W. Latimer, Editor and Publisher.

A CRITICAL CONDITION

There is much being said in and around Washington to-day concerning the revising of the Constitution. When we think of the Constitution, we think of a document that's as sacred as the Ten Commandments, or at least that part of them that will forever stand. In these Commandments God's eternal law to man was given and there is a few of those Commandments that are not so sacred. The law concerning the old iron-bound Sabbath was done away with but

there is a principle in these Commandments that is obligatory on every Christian and will remain so until Jesus comes and lifts the curse. The Ten Commandments deal with principles that are eternal, and we believe that those who took a part in the Constitution and its construction were directed by the Lord, and to change the principles and laws of this Constitution would do away with Christian liberty and the rights and principles of divine government, and turn our United States into chaos.

The scale of music cannot be improved, the multiplication table cannot be changed. In these principles are rules and facts that would destroy the principles of the things that they pertain to. So it is with the Constitution. It affects civil liberty, and to change its principles would destroy the basis on which liberty was proclaimed. There is one thing that stands between free-born American citizens today and their loss of personal liberty; namely, the Constitution of the United States. Those who are advocating such a change are deceiving the common people and advising them against their best interest.

The constitution was framed during the time that kings swarmed over and crushed the rights and liberties of the people. Now we are menaced by dictators. The Constitution makes it impossible for these intruders to do anything that is legal, and it is very fortunate that we have the supreme judges who are well versed in the rights and privileges of the people, and the good old Constitution of the United States helps them to declare the truth.

There has been quite a lot said about monarch governments, autocracy and one-man rule, but this is just what these reformers are merging into. Every day the world is becoming more confused. Rights and liberties will be in question, and from different sources the privileges of the citizens of this United States will be in danger. In the near future the Con-

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ACTS 16:19, "And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us."

After Paul had seen the vision he immediately and willingly went for he was praying to know God's will. God knew Paul's heart and knew he would go. Dear friends, that is the reason God doesn't show us visions today, He can't depend on us. We are afraid to trust God. We are afraid of hard trials and troubles that are sure to come if we carry this gospel. God knows where we are and what we are doing, whether we are willing to go or not.

Paul didn't ask God about the place or country or what kind of people they were. All he wanted to know was "was it God's will for him to go?" He knew if God was for him, all the world might turn against him yet God would see him safely through.

Friends, can God depend on us today? Are we seeking to know God's will? Jesus was willing to do God's will. He said, "Not my will, Father, but thine be done." Can we say that from our hearts—"Not our wills but God's"? Jesus didn't question the Father about the hard trials He would have. His mind was to do God's will. If we would let God guide our minds, hearts, and lives as Jesus, Paul, and others did, who have walked this way before us, we would have a vision of this lost and dying world and would be willing to go anywhere God wants us to go.

To know God's will is to keep in prayer continually, not just once a day. I read in Psa. 40:8 where David said, "I delight to do thy will, O my God." David was a man that hungered after God. He sought God's will at all times. Let David be our example. If we seek God's will and do His will, we will live pure and holy; we will love each other as our Savior loved us; we will not find fault but will close our ears to things that are said, and will keep the door of our lips. Psa. 141:3. If we will do this, we will know God's will. Thank God, He will talk to us.

Daniel sought God's will. He prayed three times a day and also fasted. God heard his prayer and revealed to him what would happen in the last days. God is still God. He will reveal things to us if we will keep humble and delight to know His will. He will love us just as good as He did Daniel, if we will love and obey Him as Daniel did.

Solomon sought God's will in asking for wisdom to guide the kingdom over which he was king. God answered his prayer and gave him his desire. Oh, glory to God! As I write this I feel something in my soul that tells me to move forward. We have just a few short days to know and do God's will. Dear ones, let us be willing for God's will to be done so He can work through us to save lost souls. We don't have to go to Japan or China to do God's will. We can find many honest, hungry hearts that want to know the truth. Thousands have never heard about the fullness of the gospel. Now is our time to tell this lost world about God's will and love. Prayer is the key that unlocks God's will; let us seek God more and pray more and God will unlock heaven's door to us and pour out a blessing that our hearts can hardly contain.

STIR ME

Stir me, oh, stir me, Lord! I care not how,

But stir my heart in passion for the world;

Stir me to give, to go—but most to pray.

Stir till Thy blood-red banner be unfurled

O'er lands that still in heathen darkness lie,

O'er deserts where no cross is lifted high.

Stir me, oh, stir me, Lord! till my heart Is filled with strong compassion for these souls,

Till Thy compelling "must" drive me to prayer,

Till Thy constraining love reach to the poles,

Far north and south in burning deep desire,

Till east and west are caught in love's great fire!

Stir me, oh, stir me, Lord! for I can see

Thy glorious triumph day begin to break;

The dawn already gilds the eastern sky.

O Church of God, arise! Awake! Awake!

Oh, stir us, Lord, as heralds of that day;

The night is past, our king is on His way!

"The Man That Once I Meant To Be"

I knew his face the moment that he passed

Triumphant in the thoughtless, cruel throng—

Triumphant, though the tired quiet eyes Showed that his soul had suffered over-long.

And though across his brow faint lines of care

Were etched, somewhat of youth still lingered there

I gently touched his arm—he smiled at me—

He was the Man That Once I Meant to Be.

Where I had failed, he'd won from life success;

Where I had stumbled, with sure feet he trod;

Alike—yet unlike—we faced the world, And through the stress he found that life was good!

And I? The bitter wormwood in the glass,

The shadowed way along with failures pass.

Yet as I saw him thus, joy came to me— He was the Man That Once I Meant to Be.

I knew him. And I knew he knew me for The man he might have been. Then did his soul

Thank silently the gods that gave him strength

To win, while I so sorely missed the goal?

He turned, and quickly in his own firm hand

He took my own—the gulf of failure spanned

And that was all—strong, self-reliant, free,

He was the Man That Once I Meant to Be.

We did not speak. But in his sapient eyes I saw the spirit that had urged him on, The courage that had held him through the fight

Had once been mine. I thought, "Can it be gone?"

He felt that unasked question—felt it so His pale lips formed the one-word answer, "No!"

Too late to win? No! Not too late for me,

He is the Man That Still I Mean to Be.

—Gospel Herald.

NOTICE

There will be all-day services at the Broad Creek Church of God on Mother's Day, May 10. There will be speakers from different places. We are expecting our state overseer, John L. Stephens, to be with us. Dinner will be served on the ground. All the ex-pastors have an invitation to be with us on that date. All come.—J. C. Farmer, pastor, Newport, N. C.

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sus when He came. When did Jesus say the Comforter would testify of Him? When He came. That's what we teach! We teach that the Holy Ghost is a personage and will, to this day, like He did in the days of the apostles, testify of Jesus when He comes. So it is when believers are seeking the Holy Ghost. We listen for the Holy Ghost to TESTIFY.

It makes no difference how much the seeker shouts or quakes, we don't pronounce him filled with the Holy Ghost. We only say, "He dwelleth with you and shall be in you, if you will tarry on," John 14:17; Luke 24:49, and as they tarry we listen for the Holy Ghost to testify of Jesus.

HOW DOES THE HOLY GHOST TESTIFY OF JESUS?

Like He did at Pentecost, Acts 2:4, "And they spake with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them the utterance." And like He did at the house of Cornelius, Acts 10:44-46. When the Holy Ghost fell on them they "spoke with tongues and magnified God." How did the believing Jews know that the Gentiles had received the Holy Ghost? The Bible answer is, "Because they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God." So if speaking in tongues is the way the Holy Ghost testified of Jesus in the days of the apostles and that is the way the believers recognized He had come in and filled believers in that day, why not recognize the same sign today? Jesus said, "When he is come he shall testify of me." People who claim that the Holy Ghost has quit testifying of Jesus, that they received Him but He didn't testify, ought to show their claim by the Bible (that is if they can). They ought to show where the Bible teaches that the Holy Ghost has quit testifying. People who say the Holy Ghost has quit testifying, that they have Him and He didn't and does not testify, are virtually saying, "Jesus you said when the Comforter is come He shall testify, but I say He doesn't." It is sad to know that people will deny the Words of Jesus.

The Holy Ghost testified again at Ephesus when He came on twelve disciples (believers) Acts 19:1-7. This was about twenty-two years after Pentecost and some people will say speaking in tongues is not for us. It is not for unbelievers, but for BELIEVERS in Christ. Here at Ephesus the Apostle Paul recognized the Holy Ghost when he heard those brethren speak with tongues and prophesy. How different the Apostle

Paul was from some of our modern preachers today. Paul accepted the truth that when believers were speaking in tongues they had received the Holy Ghost, while some of our modern preachers say "tongues" is of the devil. Look at the difference in Paul and some preachers of today, and some of them will say, "I'm just like Paul." I say they are not like Paul, neither do I think they are related to him.

Listen here! "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed." Gal. 1:8, 9. This is hard on some preachers, but I can't help that. There is positive evidence that the apostles had preached the Holy Ghost and tongues. Now if any man "preach any other gospel (say Holy Ghost is not for us and tongues is of the devil) than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." I guess that would be another gospel in part. I mean by that that he may preach Jesus Christ to be the Son of God and justification by faith and at the same time deny that part of the gospel that teaches the Holy Ghost testifying of Jesus, "They shall speak with new tongues," etc. That would at least be another gospel in part. So it may be that we would have to let them be accursed in part. How does that sound?

But what about this? Jesus said in John 14:23, "If a man love me, he will keep my words." Here are some of the words of Jesus: "And these signs shall follow them that believe****They shall speak with tongues." New tongues means new languages, which is the way the Holy Ghost testifies of Jesus. And Jesus said, "If a man love me, he will keep my words." I'm afraid it will be S-A-D for some people in the judgment, facing Jesus when they have failed to keep His words. No doubt Jesus will say if a man love me, he will keep my words, but what about verse 24, "He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings"? Surely this is the keynote to the whole situation. The reason some people don't keep the sayings of Jesus is because they don't love Him. "He that loveth me not, keepeth not my sayings."

Read 1 Tim. 6, beginning with the last clause of the second verse, "These things teach and exhort. If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome

words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; he is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, perverted disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself." "They shall speak with new tongues" are the words of Jesus Christ. Paul wrote Timothy, "These things teach and exhort," then said, "If any man teach otherwise and consent not to wholesome words even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ." Since Jesus said, "They shall speak with new tongues," what about the preachers who say they shall not? Pray tell me isn't that teaching otherwise? What will such preachers do when they face Jesus in the judgment, knowing that they have taught OTHERWISE than the words of Jesus?

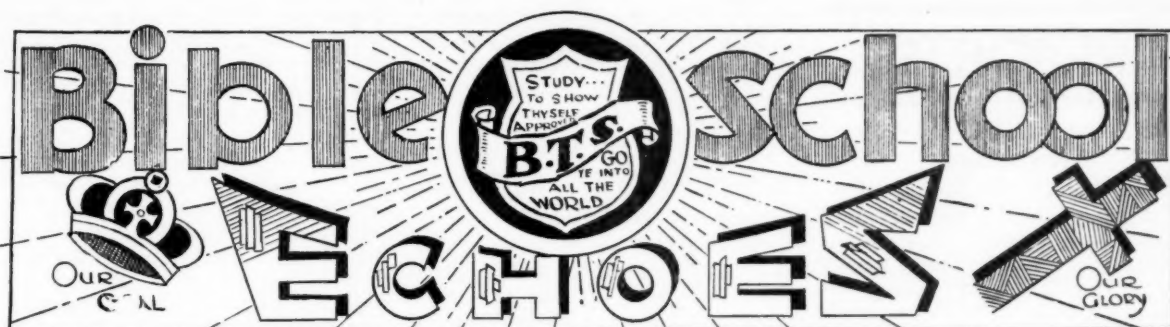
"Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds," 2 John 9: 10, 11.

So we see that the best thing to do is to stick to the words of Jesus. Let's lift Him up wherever we go. Brethren, don't be ashamed of the gospel of Christ, "for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." If you are ashamed of the words of Jesus, He will be ashamed of you before His Father and His holy angels. Come on, let's publish this good news wherever we go!

Home Coming at Fayetteville, N. C.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.—We had a wonderful day in the Lord. The power fell and the saints rejoiced. We had a large crowd. All churches reported except one. Our Sunday School superintendent, Brother Tedder, also Brother Butler and others made some good talks. Brother Stephens was with us. His wife gave a message in tongues and it was interpreted. The Erwin string band rendered some wonderful music. We also had other music and singing.

I long to see the home coming in the sky. We were glad of the home coming day in Fayetteville. Pray for us to stay in the center of God's will. W. H. Wright and the writer are expecting to evangelize together this summer. Pray for us. —Humbly, W. I. Bass.



The Man Who Built His House On the Sand and the Man Who Built His House On the Rock

MATT. 7:24.

We have here two foundations upon which man can build. The first one mentioned is sand, a substance of a crumbling nature. When the people were wondering and amazed at the healing of the lame man who lay at the gate of the temple, which is called Beautiful, they called Peter into question. When he had an opportunity he began to preach to them, and made it plain that they as builders, were setting aside the main corner stone of the building. These men were sand builders. Too many men today are building on the doctrines and opinions of other men. They never think of any storms that sooner or later are sure to come, but when the storms of Satan are raging, it will try our spiritual house. We should so construct it and fortify its walls that it will be able to stand throughout eternity, for if it falls we had just as well never have built it. But let every man take heed how and where he builds. The devil can make a sand bank look like solid rock, and send a flood out of what might appear to be a clear sky, therefore, "Whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock." To keep the sayings of Christ does not mean to have a Bible laid away in the bottom of a trunk for safe-keeping, but to know the truth, and lay it away in our hearts with a resolved mind to do as Christ has said. To keep the sayings it means to continue doing them. The foundation is already laid, for other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is JESUS CHRIST.

A rock is something that's firm or solid. The rock from which the ISRAELITES were supplied with water was a figure and type of Christ, as Paul the apostle observes, 1 Cor. 10:4. They drank of that spiritual rock that followed them, and that rock was CHRIST. Then we as believers have our spiritual refreshing from Christ, as the thirsty Israelites were

refreshed with the waters that gushed out of the rock in the wilderness. Christ likewise sustains and bears up His Church, built upon Him by faith, as a house upon a rock. Then we that are building our spiritual houses upon Christ the solid rock, can sing with the poet,

*Now I'm resting, sweetly resting,
In the cleft once made for me;
Jesus, blessed Rock of Ages,
I will hide myself in Thee.*

—A Bible Correspondence Student, Earl H. Thomas, Markleysburg, Pa.

April Honor Roll

Out of the two hundred twenty-seven Bible Correspondence Students the names printed below have made the April Honor Roll. These students have worked faithfully and sent in some very remarkable work this past month.

The state of West Virginia would not let the banner go, so they again hold the state banner; it is waving high with twelve students on the Honor Roll. Ohio

acted like they might have wanted the banner, because they came next with eight making the Honor Roll. Are you working to help your state win the banner? Your answer is yes or no. Let's all say yes and for the month of May help put your state over the top and win the state banner.

We give the following by states:

West Virginia: W. M. Asbury, W. M. Headley, Otis Hearn, M. E. Parks, Jesse G. Phipps, Curtis M. Keys, Carl E. Hawkins, H. H. Tygart, Mrs. Nola Nutter, Una Ethel Barker, George Tate, Ben Woodring.

Florida: F. B. Bell, J. H. Curry, T. Wimberley, Mrs. W. N. Sikes, Vernon Moss, J. R. Davis.

Georgia: J. L. Ball, A. H. Griffin, Janie Herndon, Mrs. Ruth Shiver, J. P. Green, Mrs. Lois Norris.

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REPORTS

Big Springs, Tex. District Convention

The Big Springs, Tex. district convention convened at Big Springs, Tex., Feb. 28-March 1, with Brother Wilma Henry, district pastor, in charge. Services began at 7:45 p. m. The welcome was given by Brother Henry after which Brother Sheets, pastor of the Assembly of God, led the praise service. Then came Brother Pennington with a good message on "Holiness" which was enjoyed by all.

We met again at 10:00 Saturday morning. After prayer and song Brother Henry made a talk on the Church of God Evangel. Next came Sister Oras Hubbard with a good talk to young people which was enjoyed by all. At 11:00 o'clock Brother K. D. Beube preached on "Need of Missions in New Fields." We met in the afternoon at 2:00 for Bible study which was taught by Brother Payne, our esteemed overseer. It surely was enjoyed by all. After Bible study and good instructions by Brother Payne we were dismissed until the evening service. After the evening devotional Brother Payne brought us a message on Matt. 18:20.

We met Sunday at 10:00 a. m. After songs and prayer Brother Payne preached on the "Church of God" which was enjoyed by all good honest-hearted saints. Sunday the churches reported, then Brother Payne made a talk on missions and took an offering for same. Then came handshakes and good-byes.

Thanks to the dear Lord, the good convention spirit was with us in the night service. Brother Ratchford preached us a wonderful sermon after which Brother Henry, our pastor, received eight into the church. Pray that God will continue to bless at Big Springs.—Mrs. J. T. Thornton, clerk.

Good Preaching Enjoyed

HIGDEN, Ark.—The Lord blessed in a wonderful way in our fifth Sunday meeting. Our dear state overseer, Brother McCullar, was present. Other visitors present were Brother W. V. Johnson, district overseer, Brother Hugh L. Berry, pastor at Roosevelt, Sister Lula Milam, Rosebud, Ark., Brothers Milam, Williams, Perry, Luallen, his wife and sister, and Brother White. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Brother Berry preached a powerful sermon Saturday night. Brother Johnson preached a soul-feeding sermon Sunday morning. Brother McCullar brought a fine sermon Sunday night and

Brother White did some fine singing.

We surely did appreciate the good people being here and ask them to come to see us again soon. May God bless His children everywhere is our prayer.—Golden E. Griffin, pastor.

Report of Work in Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa

We are glad to report victory out here in the Middle West. We were appointed over the work in Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa. We have found plenty to do. The Lord has blessed in Kansas. We have some good, loyal people there. They have been one hundred per cent on missions and reporting and we have had good revivals in all the churches. We hope to have two new church buildings by our state meeting.

The work in Nebraska is small but the people are loyal. We have some good openings in this state. We are at present in the State of Iowa and are having a good time. We have organized three new churches in this state and the outlook is real good. Brother R. Nicely, a good able minister, came with us and has helped in this state very much. We are here to do our very best for our Master and the Church. If you can trust the Lord, come over and help us.—Your brother in Christ, J. M. Snyder, State Overseer.

God Blessed in Giving Out The Word

RAVENNA, Ky.—We are praising the Lord for His wonderful power. We just closed a two weeks' revival here. Sister Bertha G. Shideler did the preaching. God surely blessed her in giving out the Word. She has been a blessing to the saints and unsaved here. The Holy Ghost fell and messages were given in tongues. Sister Shideler gave the interpretations. Conviction seized the hearts of many unsaved and they went crying and falling on their faces in prayer. Many are under conviction. Praise the Lord for old-time Pentecostal power. We were very sorry to have the meeting close but Sister Shideler could not stay with us longer.

Pray for the work at Ravenna to roll on. Also pray for my children who are unsaved, and for my husband to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. W. Wise, clerk.

God Gave the Increase

We have recently closed a very successful revival here. The Lord met with us in a great way. He set His approval on every service. Brother O. B. Bolton was in charge. God blessed his work. The number saved and sanctified was unknown, twenty received the Holy Ghost for which we thank the Lord. Brother

Bolton gave out the Word with boldness and God gave the increase. The church was in perfect unity and knit together with an unbroken cord of love. The Bible said where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty, so we have the Spirit of the Lord in our midst. Eph. 2:22, "In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit." So by the Spirit we feel like many souls found liberty. So much good was done. I believe there were about nine added to the church. We are greatly encouraged and still looking for the Lord to do great things for us. Please pray for us that God will continue to bless here.—O. L. Crow, pastor, Selman City, Tex.

Thankful For the Work at Haymond, Ky.

I am thankful to God for the gospel messages that reached the hearts of men and women, boys and girls, including eight high school students, and brought them into the real plan of salvation. Some were saved, some sanctified, some baptized with the Holy Ghost, and some reclaimed. The messages were brought by Evangelist D. C. Rayhill of Louisville, Ky.

I am glad to report that today still finds me saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost and a member of the great Church of God. I thank God for our church at Haymond, also for our good, humble pastor, W. J. Blair. We believe he is one of the best in the whole Church. His whole heart seems to be in the work. We love him and know he loves each member in the church because he has already proved it.

Evangelist Rayhill and wife left today, April 1st, for Corbin, Ky. We certainly miss them. We learned to love them, they seemed like a part of the family. They will be missed by the whole community. Continue to pray for our church here at Haymond.—A brother in Christ, Willie Underwood, Cromona, Ky.

District Convention Graciously Blessed

The Monroe district convention of Virginia, over which Brother L. M. Justice is overseer, convened at Mt. Hermon church of which Brother W. T. Stowe is pastor. Our state overseer, Brother J. L. Dorman, was moderator. It was another one of our very best gatherings of the year. The church is in the country but the delegates came for miles to fill every available space and enjoy the gracious blessings given to us.

Every message was inspirational, to the point, and backed up by the power of divine guidance. Those who spoke on the various subjects were: Brothers J. L.

Dorman, L. M. Justice, W. T. Stone, H. A. Williams, P. E. Thomas, D. H. Robinson, Sisters A. E. Landes, N. F. Stowe, V. Bowman, and the writer.

The Schoolfield string band, also Brother L. M. Justice and two daughters, with the writer, furnished music and singing throughout the services. Space will not permit me to outline in detail this wonderful gathering. At times it seemed heaven came down in our midst. We are made to believe that all were strengthened by what was heard, felt, and seen.—Your servant, Marvin E. Porter, State Supt. S. S. and Y. P. E. of Virginia, Austinville, Va.

Paris, Tex. Dist. Convention

The Paris, Tex. district convention convened at the Church of God at Lanius, April 3-5 inclusive. Brother Plake, our district overseer, presided over the convention. Brother Davis, pastor of the local church, extended a hearty welcome to all visitors. Brother Bridges brought a timely message, his subject being, "Be Not Far From Me; for Trouble is Near."

On Saturday morning Brother Waters spoke on "Faith" and Brother Payne, our state overseer, spoke on "General Instructions of the Church." In the afternoon Sister Worrell spoke on "Grace" and our state overseer followed with an instructive message on "Church Government." Saturday night we young people were given an hour for service with Brother Cecil Bridges, our district superintendent, in charge. The Burnett sisters rendered special numbers during this service. Their singing was greatly enjoyed by every one present at the convention. Sister Waters presented some stirring facts when she spoke on "What a Church is Without a Y. P. E." and the writer followed with the subject "What a Church is With a Y. P. E." At the close of this program the devotional began. Brother Pennington conducted a praise service during which the presence of the Lord was manifested. Brother Crow brought an impressive message on "Profit and Loss." The message was concluded with an altar call and several sought the Lord.

A large crowd assembled Sunday morning and after a good song service Sister Brous spoke concerning the Sunday School. Then Brother Payne came with a message on "Children." His subject was rather unique but very edifying and beneficial to both young and old. After lunch the reports of the churches on the district were given. Brother Payne spoke in behalf of missions and an offering was taken for same. Thus this good convention came to a close and surely every one left with renewed courage to promote the cause of the Lord.—Yours in the Master's

service, Edith Brous, Ladonia, Tex.

Holding on to God Brings Victory

OXFORD, Ohio.—We are still praising our dear Lord for His goodness and mercy here. The Lord has surely been in our midst. He comes out and meets with us at every service. The church is moving along nicely with a good spirit prevailing. Never before since the church was set in order has there been more love, unity, and God's sweet Spirit in the church. We are looking for Jesus to come for His bride. Our beloved pastor, Brother William Gabbard, surely is working hard for God and the right. He is preaching harder and stronger than ever before. His sermons are stirring the hearts of sinners here. We know God has given us promises upon promises and we know prayer changes things.

We have good people here at Oxford, inside and out of the church, some who are not members of the church are doing their best to help God and His Church. I know if we, the saints of God, will continue to pray and hold on to God we can win these good souls for Jesus. That's what it takes—prayer and holding on to God, BELIEVING. We are praying that God will supply our every need and show us a way to get a larger place. We are praying for a good revival.

We are now holding church in a garage which is packed at every Sunday night service. Dear saints of God who read this, please pray that God will make a way for us to get a larger place to worship Him in.

Our Y. P. E. is progressing rapidly. God is blessing the young people here as well as the old. I'm sure He will continue to bless if we let Him have His way. Pray also for our Sunday School. Our attendance decreased through the winter, but I'm sure it will increase now and we will receive the state and district banners again. We surely have the Sunday School spirit here at Oxford. In your prayers remember our dear pastor and family, also me. I haven't got to the place where I don't need your prayers. I want to do more for Jesus and be ready when He comes.—A true worker in the Church of God, Mrs. Arthur Baker.

Home Coming at Neon, Ky.

A great home coming meeting was held at the Church of God at Neon, Ky., Sunday, March 15. Service began at 10:00. The Holy Ghost took charge at the beginning of the service and was with us all the way through. We had many visiting brothers and sisters. All cannot be mentioned but we appreciated very

much all who were there.

After special singing by Brother Jimmie Dixon and members of the Church of God of Vicco, Ky., the welcome address was given by the pastor, Brother W. J. Blair. Brother Bowman then brought the first message of the day on "Opening of the Seals." The next sermon was brought by Brother Walter Branham on "Power of the Church." This was followed by Brother D. C. Rayhill bringing an inspiring message from Rev. 21 on "The Holy City, the New Jerusalem." It was the best I think I ever heard on this subject. Brother Jimmie Dixon then brought a message on "Awake, Thou that Sleepeth, and Arise from the Dead."

The speakers were arranged by Brother Bee Day. It seemed that all the appointments were of the Lord and all the speakers were at their best. After the service, dinner was served and enjoyed by all. The best way to tell how good the meeting was was to have been there yourself. It was truly good to be there. Pray much for the church at Haymond and Neon, Ky.—A sister in Him, Miss Annalene Spence, Cromona, Ky.

Full Salvation Makes Us Rejoice

GAFFNEY, S. C.—Dear Evangel readers, March 15th Brother S. C. Chambers started a revival in Gaffney at the Church of God. I can't tell you just how God used him but you who know him have some idea. He is a wonder in the hands of God. He preaches God's Word without fear. Seventeen were saved, eleven sanctified, ten filled with the Holy Ghost, I being one of the number to receive the Baptism. Ten joined the church. I'm surely glad and rejoicing because of free and full salvation.

We love our pastor, Brother J. C. Brooks. He is on fire for God and the work here. God is blessing his work. We're praying and looking to go over the top for God by His help this year. Brother Sherwood Owens is president of our Y. P. E. He is in the hands of God and is doing a wonderful work. God is blessing the young people. We have a Y. P. E. that will make one look the second time. We can't close without thanking God for a man like our state overseer, Brother R. P. Johnson.

Dear saints, we can all come together in one mind and accord and move our God to action in behalf of this lost and dying world. Pray! pray! pray! Please pray for the work here.—Your loyal and obedient brother in Christ, E. L. Hooper, clerk.

Those who get puffed up are sure to have a blow-out.

MISSIONS

SOME IMPRESSIONS OF THE ORIENT

BY J. H. INGRAM

INTRODUCTION

At the time of this writing we have just completed the crossing of the Yellow Sea from Moji, Japan, to Shanghai, China, which was without incident. Although this section is frequented by typhoons, and is noted for its treacherous seas, we had smooth sailing all the way, for which I thank the Lord. The trip through the famed Inland Sea of Japan was glorious. Hemmed in as it were, with a string of pretty green islands, it may well be classed as one of the scenic wonders of the world. As far as China is concerned, one is confronted with awe-inspiring scenes at every turn of the road, and the great need for Christian missions is evident, but in giving "Some Impressions of the Orient" we shall only deal with the Japanese phase of the subject, leaving China for another time.

NO DEPRESSION IN JAPAN

One thing that impressed me forcibly, was the progressiveness of the Japanese people, and the fact that little or no unemployment exists. Black smoke rising in columns from thousands of tall cement stacks bespoke for this fact. I was informed from a reliable source that less than one per cent of the employables were without work. There was something to do it seemed for every one who cared to work. The street car and bus companies in the large cities were employing girls as conductors in the absence of qualified men for the positions. Also the modern trend which Japan has taken is amazing. Her railroads and steamship lines are among the world's finest. Also they are taking to the air very rapidly. But in spite of this, there is still a mixture of antiquity, which forms a contrast unequalled, perhaps, in any other country.

As for transportation, the roads are still clogged with the traffic of ox carts, and various hand-drawn vehicles besides. All designed for freight and passenger service, as the occasion may demand. The population is becoming so overcrowded, that the farmers are becoming desperate in their efforts to produce sufficient food to supply the markets. Rice being the main article when it comes to table foods, one may see fields of this grain in

every direction. The hillside land is terraced so as to form level patches, to make the watering and cultivation easier. Every farm usually has its own little watermill for pounding out the rice to separate the chaff from the grain.

Another thing that impressed me most, was the religious activity on every hand. Shintoism and Buddhism seemed to be the prevailing religions among the Japanese. But it is gratifying to note the progress made in late years among Christian missions. Early Christian missionaries to Japan were martyred, some being crucified and burned at the stake, etc. However, we shall leave this subject for present, and give you some impressions formed during our recent visit. But before going further, to show the density of the population in the larger cities of this great empire, Tokyo has around six million people, being the largest. Osaka comes next with approximately three million.

HEATHENISM IN FULL SWING

As said heretofore, there seems to be little or no "depression" in the Japanese empire. Especially is this true when it comes to heathen, religious activities. They seem to have decided on taking the "De" and the "i" out of depression, and just call it "Press On," which has become the general watchword, or order of the day. Japan is a hotbed of paganism, and to say the least, this heathen religion is in full swing.

When I arrived in the country, Brother L. W. Coote, Superintendent of the Ikoma Bible School, donated the use of his new automobile, and we made an extensive tour of the surrounding territory, visiting a number of native shrines, as well as Christian missions. Our Japanese chauffeur acted as guide and interpreter at times when Mr. Coote could not come along.

I was deeply impressed with the magnitude and grandeur of the image "Diabutsu"—called "Vairochana Buddha"—and the temple housing it at Nara. The Buddha itself stands fifty-three feet in height, the face alone measuring 9 1-2x 16 feet. This is the largest image of its kind in Japan, perhaps one of the greatest in the world. It was erected in 749 A. D. at the instance of Shomu, the forty-fifth emperor, and contains 437 tons of bronze, 288 pounds of gold, seven tons of vegetable wax, 165 pounds of mercury, and several thousand tons of

charcoal. The gold and mercury are used solely for the gilding. The temple in question defies description. It is strictly modeled after the oriental style of architecture, is elaborately carved within and without, and bears the distinction of being the largest wooden structure in the world. The entire temple area comprises some three thousand acres, within which are located several temples and shrines of lesser importance. The grounds center about a pretty lake called "Saruwasa Pond," rather the pond is at the main entrance. Tradition connects the lake with a beautiful court lady, who drowned herself in it because of her unrequited love for the emperor. A shrine to her memory stands to the west of the pond. Thousands of the sacred deer roam the hillsides which gently slope upward, and often stampede the visitors, desiring to be fed from their hands. It is a show in itself to see them, as they come leaping and bounding from every direction at feeding time, when the care-taker blows his horn. "The Avenue of Lanterns" which forms the main approach to the reservation, is flanked on either side with some 6,000 odd lanterns of carved stone, each standing around seven or eight feet in height, and perhaps two feet square in the main. The horticultural beauty of the grounds likewise beggars description, with many large cedars and camphor (gum) trees towering above the varied evergreen shrubbery. The entire picture is awe-inspiring, with the green hills for a background, the taller mountains capped with snow in season. The Japanese are great lovers of nature. The Shinto religion combines the worship of their ancestors with nature. And I dare say they have the world beat when it comes to landscaping and gardening. I was literally thrilled with the sight of the world famous "sacred" Mt. Fuji, with its lofty snow-capped peak towering more than 12,000 feet above the sea.

This article is getting quite lengthy, and Brother Latimer may be obliged to break in here for lack of space and continue the report in another issue. Otherwise, we shall take up the question of both heathen and Christian services, which in themselves were truly impressive. You will also note the wide contrast, and the resultant effects upon the individuals as they go about in search of the "Soul-satisfying Portion"—which of course, is not to be found outside of Christ. The idol worshippers go to the temple feeling bad, and doubtless return feeling worse.

The dead swell, but the living grow. There is very little if any spiritual life in the soul when the head is swelled.

Requests

I am asking those who know the worth of prayer to please pray for God to heal my right lung which is badly affected. I am a Church of God evangelist and believe the Lord will heal me through the prayer of the saints, so I can preach God's Word in its purity.—J. T. Cruze, Knoxville, Tenn.

Please pray for my brother who has fits and is not sanctified. Pray for my other brother, my son and my mother. I have other loved ones also who need prayer. Pray for me to do the Lord's will. My sister is having her teeth pulled and is very weak. Pray for her health and that she will get saved.—Mrs. Paul Franklin, Mt. Airy, Ga.

Please put Manchester, N. H., on your prayer list. She needs God. We have a work here that is struggling along with just a few faithful ones to carry the burden. We want to see our work grow, souls get saved, and our young people taking hold. We have had Brother and Sister J. H. Dorsett with us since January but they expect to leave soon for their mission field in Canada. Pray that the Lord will send the right workers here. Pray for me to stand true and receive the Holy Ghost. Pray for my three backslidden children. They have all received the Holy Ghost and been to the Bible School at Appleton, Me. We are holding the fort here, just a few faithful saints, but we need to have a revival and see the church built up so we can set it in order and do more to redeem the time, for the days are hastening on to the coming of our Lord. I praise Him because He is my Savior, Healer, Sanctifier, Baptizer, and Coming King.—Alice M. Pixley, 314 Jewett St., Manchester, N. H.

I am a member of the Church of God and have full salvation but the enemy has afflicted me. Pray that God will undertake for me.—Mrs. C. L. Ferguson, Weir, Miss.

I want all the saints to pray for me and pray for my two sons, that their homes may become Christian homes. Pray for my son to be saved and that I may grow strong in faith and do more for Jesus.—A sister, N. C. Wood, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Rt. 2, Box 33.

Dear Christians: Pray for me to be healed. Doctors have failed to do me any good, I have faith in prayer. Pray for my

husband to be healed also and for my daughter to be saved.—A sister, Virgie Wood, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Rt. 2, Box 104.

Dear saints, I am a sister in Christ, saved, sanctified and have the Holy Ghost and fire. My only son and help is afflicted and I ask all the saints to pray for him to be healed. Pray for me to be true.—Mrs. Ivie Lansom, Abingdon, Va.

We have organized a Sunday School with twenty-two scholars. God is blessing. Everybody pray that the school will continue to grow, also pray for the revival, and that God will give us a church in Daytona Beach, Fla.—Roy Douglas, superintendent, 731 Carswell St., Daytona Beach, Fla.

Please pray a special prayer for the healing of my body. I am sick and want to trust the Lord, I need prayer. Pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost. Pray for my mother to be healed. We are both Church of God members. Please pray for my unsaved husband and father to be saved.—Mrs. C. L. Braswell, Greenwood, S. C.

Pray a special prayer for me. My eyes are very weak. Also pray that I may attend church. It has been a year since I've been to a Church of God. My heart hungers for the friendship of the saints. Pray that I may remain strong in the faith, I'm faced with the temptation to be like the other girls around here. I am the only one here who has the Holy Ghost.—Wilma Knowles, Lineville, Ala.

I am asking the saints to meet me in prayer at the throne for a Holy-Ghost filled preacher to come to Rocky Point community and hold a revival. Now it's a hard place but God can control. Nothing is impossible with him. I have no church to go to but I am fasting and praying at home. I am trying to live a true life for Jesus.—Mrs. L. F. White, Sr., Rt. 3, Box 25, Emory, Tex.

Dear saints, don't forget me—a soul that needs prayer. My life is a life of sorrow for loved ones but I do all I understand to keep pure and clean in the sight of Jesus. I find it all I can do. I have started to go on and some day when life is done here I expect to see my Savior. I am the only one in my family who lives for God. Two of my daughters had wonderful experiences, but they both fell away. They were not permitted to go to services and I am hindered many times also. Pray that God will in some way help me. I have four sweet little children and I have taught them the way and lived it before them. I have four gone on that I want to see some day. Pray for my two

daughters. I have the Holy Ghost but am not yet satisfied. Pray for the healing of my body. I have an affliction in the right side of my back, and my heart troubles me very much. I am fully trusting God. Pray that He will give me a double portion of His Spirit and keep me under the blood.—Your sister in Christ, Louise Adams, Ethel, W. Va.

Dear saints, pray a special prayer for me. I am sick with flu and pneumonia has almost developed.—A sister who needs prayer, Mrs. Allie Lathan, Rt. 3, Box 10, Friendship, Tenn.

Please pray for my boy who is sick. He is twelve years old and I am trusting the Lord for him. Also pray for my body to be healed. I have the Holy Ghost, pray that I'll be true. There is no church here for me and my children to attend.—A sister in Christ, Brittie Gibbs, Rt. 1, Lillbourn, Mo.

I want all the saints to pray for me to be healed.—John Haupt, 2410 Ranshaw, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Please pray for me as I have had head trouble all my life. I am trusting the Lord for my healing. Also pray for my loved ones to be saved. I have the Holy Ghost.—Your sister, Mattie Pollard, Hemphill, W. Va.

I praise the Lord for the Holy Ghost and ask that you pray for me to do the Lord's will. Pray for the meeting here. Brother Earl D. Henderson is in charge.—Your sister, Virgie Pollard, Hemphill, W. Va.

Dear brothers and sisters and all who read the Evangel: Please pray a special prayer for me to get the victory over everything in my life and answer my call. Pray that I will be completely healed, also that my loved ones will be saved.—Mrs. Kate McGhee, 1033 E. 6th St., Tucson, Ariz.

I thank the Lord for the Holy Ghost and I desire the prayers of the saints that my health may be restored, if it is God's will. Please pray for my daughter who is saved and sanctified and wants the Holy Ghost. We both belong to the Church of God at Kannapolis, N. C., but we live some distance from the church and don't get to go often. Pray for my three unsaved boys to be saved. Pray for my sister-in-law who is in the hospital and is very sick. Don't forget us in prayer. I praise the Lord for healing my head the other day when it was aching so badly.—A humble sister, Esther Hogan, China Grove, N. C., Box 144.

LOVE

J. B. WEEKS

"We know we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren." 1 John 3:14.

"He that saith he is in the light and hateth his brother is in darkness even until now." 1 John 2:9.

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." St. John 13:34.

These are Jesus' own words. I see the need of this divine love among us as children of God. We see so much strife among people who claim to be children of God. The Bible tells us that where envy and strife is there is every evil work.

"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." St. John 13:35.

It does not say they shall know we are His disciples by us knowing so much or being able to interpret Greek or Latin. While that is all right, and I would that I knew more than I do, but we need more love among us as ministers in the Church of God.

Some one may say, Who are you and what do you know about it? I know that God is not the author of envy, jealousy, and strife. We should have more patience and a forgiving spirit and not be all eyes and no heart of love. It has been the people who had this divine love who had effect on sinners. We all need more of it.

"Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." 1 Cor. 13:4-8, 13.

In the second verse of this chapter Paul said that without charity he was nothing. Although he had faith to remove mountains, gave his body to be burned, and bestowed all his goods to feed the poor, if he did not have charity it profited him nothing.

O God, give us more love. I feel like I need more of it. Pray for us to have more of this divine love.

Notice!

This is to certify that Russell Ford is no longer a minister or member of the Church of God.—W. Carl Milligan, state overseer of Maryland.

REQUESTS

I request every child of God to please pray that the Lord will heal my head. I have a numbness through my head, also suffer much pain, and haven't been able to hear out of my left ear. Pray that my husband and two boys will be saved.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Sam Merrell, Baltimore, N. C.

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Brother Bob Seyda of Baltimore is in a revival at Somerset, Pa. He is having a very hard battle and needs your prayers. Pray for souls to be born of God.—Howard Swiger.

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Dear saints, pray for us. We are in a revival with Brother Ledford at Mountain City, Ga. Pray that God will send old time conviction and many precious souls will be saved.—T. W. Harkins.

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Dear readers: Please pray for us. We are just a happy little group of people here rejoicing in this grand liberty. Pray that God will save sinners here. Pray for our pastor, Brother C. A. McIntosh, for he is hard at work extending the gospel.—Yours in Christ, C. Graham, St. Elizabeth, Jamaica, B. W. I.

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I have a very, very urgent unspoken request. Pray that God will undertake.—Mrs. H. M. Norton, Fairfax, Okla.

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A revival is in progress at the Church of God in Pratt City, Ala., with Brother M. D. Harwood in charge. Many souls have been blessed and six added to the church. Pray for the meeting. Pray a special prayer for the healing of Grandmother Dilbeck who has been in bed a long time. She would like to be able to go to the revival. Also remember me in your prayers.—A sister, Mrs. Florence Wear.

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I have a tumor and ask the saints to pray for me to be healed. I am not saved. I wandered from God and I want to get back home to God. Pray for my husband to be saved.—Mrs. Bessie Hodge, 409 Alice St., Bristol, Tenn.

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Please pray for my home. Pray that husband and I will receive the fullness of the Lord's blessings and be a shining light for Him. Pray for this community and for my sister who is sick, that her health may be restored.—A sister in the Lord, Mrs. W. L. Simmons, Rt. 1, Trussville, Ala.

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I ask the saints to pray a special prayer for my baby. He has a breaking out on his head and neck. Also please pray for my eye as something is growing on it.—Your sister, Mrs. R. E. Thays, Pilgrim Rest, Doddsville, Miss.

NOTICES

The Markleysburg, Pa., district convention will convene at Uniontown, Pa., beginning the night of May 15 and continuing through the 17th. Our state overseer will be with us. We invite all the surrounding churches to come and enjoy the feasts of the Lord.—Your brother in Christ, Ralph Koshewitz, district overseer.

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CORRECTION: In the April 11th issue of the Evangel under Orphanage Report we stated that four bushels of potatoes were donated when it should have been four potatoes.

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Since Brother J. H. Walker has asked me to visit Nassau for the Bahama Islands convention, it will be necessary to postpone the Walhalla district convention to May 29-31. The Blacksburg district convention will convene May 15-17. The Columbia district convention will convene May 22-24.—R. P. Johnson, overseer of South Carolina.

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There will be a home coming at Live Oak church the fourth Sunday in May. Everybody is invited. Come and bring your basket. Pray that God will bless and undertake. I also ask that every member pray for the little church at Pigeon Creek, Ala., and for our dear pastor, Brother L. P. Shaw.—Vallie Rigdon, clerk.

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We would like to know the whereabouts of the following: Brother Jesse Arnold, Sisters Mary Bell Arnold, Willie May Sweet, Bertha Kervin. If not heard from by our next conference, their names will be dropped from the church roll.—Vallie Rigdon, clerk, Rt. 1, Pigeon Creek, Ala.

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To the Y. P. E's of Georgia: Our state convention is almost here and you will notice there is a place on the program for a report of the Y. P. E. work. I have not been able to get in touch with but very few Y. P. E's so far, and this will leave me with no report whatsoever for your Y. P. E. I would like to hear from every Y. P. E. in the state within the next few days. Write me right this minute, before you forget it. Give me as best you can, a record of what your Y. P. E. has done this year. If you cannot give me an accurate record of offerings, increase in number of members, attendance, etc., give me at least an idea of what your Y. P. E. is doing. Also tell me whether or not you use the Lighted Pathway. If so, how many copies you use each month.

The leader of the young People's En-

deavor at Buford, Ga., wrote me sometime ago for some information concerning reports. I am very sorry that the address was lost and I could not answer. The information asked is given above. I would appreciate it if you would report accordingly at once.—Yours in the Master's service, E. M. Tapley, Lindale, Ga.

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The Church of God at Lindale, Ga., will have a general home coming, Sunday, May 3rd. A number of good speakers and singers are expected to be present. Dinner will be spread for all. Come and enjoy the day with us. Every one is asked to bring a liberal offering for our new church building which is to be constructed soon.—E. M. Tapley, pastor.

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The Williamsburg district convention will be held at Manns Choice, Pa., June 5-7. All the district pastors leave off your mid-week services and be in the convention. Each pastor please have a good delegation from your church. We will do our best to take care of you. Each church prepare a good offering for the state headquarters. Remember the widow, Luke 21:3; Mat. 3:8, so bring a good offering. Let each Y. P. E. get in touch with the district superintendent, David Lykens, Mines, Pa. Give him your program and this will help him to get his program ready. All the Sunday Schools do the same. Brother Sheridan McMasters, Manns Choice, Penn., is district superintendent of Sunday Schools. We invite all other districts to be with us. Come and help take a part in this feast from the Lord. You are welcome.—A. L. Smith, district overseer, Manns Choice, Pa.

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If the following members of the church at Hazlehurst, Ga., are not heard from by next conference, their names will be dropped from the church roll. Brother Melgrome Muny, Sister Sarah Bowden, and Sister Elsie Partim.—J. E. Reynolds, clerk, Rt. 3, Hazlehurst, Ga.

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Faith in the Faithful Minister

Some say my fellow ministers
Are selfish, partial, and untrue,
But there's something in my heart
That makes me still have faith in you.

There's not much use of talking,
You've got your errors, not a few,
But when I sit and hear you preach
I see heaven's endorsement on you.

Selfish! every one for himself,
Is the way they've branded one and all,
But I remember when you made a sacrifice
To heed the Gospel call.

You sold your things at auction,
Good-bye to friends and loved ones
said,

That you might tell the wondrous love
Of Him who wore the thorns upon His
head.

Partiality's the besetting sin, they say,
Of preachers where'er they go,
But I guess we all must choose some
things

According to the need, you know.

In the winter time, dear criticizer,
Now let us please take note,
That we all might show partiality
To our heavy overcoat.

Then there are those who cry, Untrue!
But on you go bearing burdens old and
new,

Staying on the job, praying about what
to do,

And pleading for those who despitely
fully use you.

So then we'll still keep faith,
As your duty you try to do.
Remember there's some yet praying
Because they still have faith in you.

—D. L. Lemons.

Ministers' Meeting Held at Beckley, W. Va.

The ministers' meeting was held at Beckley, W. Va., April 3-5. Service opened Friday night by our state overseer, Brother E. C. Clark. We enjoyed the good singing and preaching and the presence of the Holy Ghost. We feel that this meeting was a real success.

We discussed plans of obtaining a camp site and a committee was appointed to look after same. Our delegation was fine. There were preachers from all over the state and we are sure all will co-operate in this good work in West Virginia.

If we will work hard, by July we will have good news at the state convention. May God bless the work in this state.—E. E. Winters, clerk, ministers' meeting.

Death Notices

SWAFFORD

Clemmie Swafford was born June 8, 1925, and died April 16, 1936, at the age of eleven years and ten months. She was laid to rest in the Dunn cemetery, funeral services being conducted by the writer.—James W. Thurman, Milo, Tenn.

BOYD

Little Jim Boyd, son of Brother S. L. Boyd of Greenville, N. C., died April 15, 1936, at the age of eleven months and three days. The funeral was conducted by the writer.—B. G. Pomroy, pastor.

Heals Many Times

ARCADIA, Fla.—I praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. I asked the Lord to remove a mole that was worrying me. I wrote Brother Rouse and sent a handkerchief to be anointed and before I received his letter and the handkerchief it came off. Praise God!

Last night I was in great pain and soreness. I laid the Evangel on my body and prayed. Glory to God, He healed me and I went to sleep. Praise His name. He heals me so many times for which I praise Him.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Florida A. Smith, Rt. 1, Box 199.

New Church in Canada

LEMMON, S. Dak.—We just received word from one of our evangelists in Saskatchewan, Canada, Brother Bowen, reporting a new church has been organized at Golden Prairie, for which we thank the Lord.

The work in the Northwest is moving along in the same good way, gradually spreading out. Remember us in your prayers.—Paul H. Walker, state overseer.

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EDITORIALS

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House of Representatives have suggested that there be a call for prayer by this government. A day of public humiliation, prayer, and fasting would certainly be of great benefit to this United States. It is fit and becoming to all people at all times to acknowledge and reverence God as the supreme head of this nation, and it is time for our people to confess their sins and transgressions and ask God to help us. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and to pray with all fervency for the pardon of the past and the cry from the depth of the heart for God's guidance in the future, is the only outlet for the people of this United States. Without the Lord helps us we are headed for confusion and bloodshed.

I hope that those who to-day have the destiny of this nation in their hands will realize the need of the guidance of Almighty God. God will hear the prayer of His people if they cry to Him aright. In the days of Mordecai, when God's people's destiny was fixed by the cunning undermining schemes of Haman, the head statesman of his government, God's ear was open to the cries of the Jews in that province and this decree was overthrown and God's hand was made manifest. Our case is not any more impossible, for God can deliver if we meet the conditions.

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THE CHURCH AND ITS GOVERNMENT

I feel sure the enemy of all righteousness is working on the Christians of America and also in other countries, to turn them aside from the holy commandments given us in God's Word, and especially the doctrines and principles of the early church. Approximately thirty years ago The Church of God began with the thought of putting into practice the laws and principles taught in the New Testament, especially the literal, visible church with its government, teachings, and principles, found in the New Testament. In my judgment we should be very prayerful right at this time. If we can retain our standing with God and command His favors, He will carry us through the storm of persecution that is coming on all the world to try them. Should we depart from the faith, and that for the sake of gaining favor with those who are not sound in doctrine, I am afraid God will let us suffer loss. While this government is being weighed in the balances and it seems the principles that have held this nation together are tottering, I feel that it is necessary for the lovers of Bible truth to double their diligence and cling tenaciously to the doctrines and principles laid down in the sacred Word. This is the

only way we can retain our favor with God. God help us to stand in our place until the Lord says it's enough.

There never has been a day when there was as much confusion in the governments of the world. On the other hand, there is confusion among Christians. The modernists have advanced and have almost overpowered the working power of the Holy Ghost. They have minified heartfelt religion until millions in the Christian ranks have only a form of godliness. But we take courage when we think that thousands of fundamentalists are standing true to the principles and teachings of God's Word.

April Honor Roll

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Wilkinson.

South Carolina: Mrs. L. Dorne, C. R. Gore, Mrs. Florence Pace, Pauline Jackson, Fred H. Barfield, E. L. Laudreth.

North Carolina: Vara Howell, C. A. Eller, Ed. Parrott, C. P. Galloway, B. G. Pomroy.

Texas: C. C. Howard, H. E. Waldron, R. E. Wright, L. C. Springer, Jim Pipes.

South Dakota: Rufus Hulburts, O. C. Lensegrov.

Illinois: Rev. H. Morehead, Edna Smiddy.

Tennessee: James W. Thurman, Auburn Brown.

Bahamas: Albert Ingraham.

Virginia: Leonard Maran.

Pennsylvania: Earl H. Thomas, Rev. Edward Sullivan.

Kentucky: Mrs. Edith Sadler, Daniel Baker.

Indiana: Elizabeth Campbell, Ruth Schoonover.

Ohio: Mrs. Willis Combs, Mrs. J. M. Brandenburg, Herbert Steffy, Houston Hall, Donald Staten, Walter Huddleson, Frank A. Steffy, Mrs. Ruth Kilburn.

Maine: Millard Littlefield.

Wyoming: Miss Alvena Hunt.

Let Us Take Heed

Dear Evangel readers: I thank God for victory over sin and for having the privilege of being a member of the Church of God. I was deep in sin, I used tobacco. I had a large goitre on my neck. In 1934 when Brother Waldron Asher of Essie, Ky., brought the truth to me in a revival at this place I was saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I was also healed of the goitre when I was prayed for by Brother Asher in a healing service.

After the revival there was a church established here and I united with the church. Then I went back to using tobacco. I became afflicted and the goitre came back. I suffered very much for about six weeks. I went to the doctor and used medicine that did not help me, and

which cost me money that I should have put in the treasury of the church. I became worse and worse until I became willing to turn to Jesus and trust Him for healing, repent and lay the tobacco aside. Then I was completely healed and the goitre disappeared from my neck. Now I am willing to pay my tithes and live up to my obligations to The Church of God.

Sisters, let us take heed lest we build again the things that we destroyed, such as taking up the little things we laid down for the Lord and His Church, and make ourselves transgressors through our own disobedience and invite the wrath of God upon us. Read Gal. 2:18 earnestly. Pray for me that I will obey the blessed Lord.—A sister in Christ, Lillie Smith, Martins Fork, Ky.

STATE CONVENTIONS

Kentucky State Convention
April 30-May 3, Somerset, Ky.
J. C. JERNIGAN, Overseer

Bahama Islands Convention
Nassau, N. P., Bah., May 5-10
WILLIAM R. FRANKS, Overseer

Georgia State Convention
May 7-10

Georgia Camp Meeting
Macon, Ga., July 9-19
J. P. HUGHES, Overseer

Alabama State Convention
Pratt City, Ala., May 8-10
G. C. DUNN, Overseer

North Carolina State Convention
Charlotte, N. C., May 13-17
JOHN L. STEPHENS, Overseer

Illinois State Convention
Benton, Ill., May 20-24
J. L. GOINS, Overseer

Michigan State Convention
May 28-31, Detroit, Mich.
D. G. PHILLIPS, Overseer

Florida State Camp Meeting
June 4-14, Wimauma, Fla.
E. W. WILLIAMS, Overseer

Tennessee State Convention
Cleveland, Tenn., June 19-21
M. P. CROSS, Overseer

Northwest Camp Meeting and Convention
Minot, N. Dak., June 27-July 5
PAUL H. WALKER, Overseer

Kansas State Convention
Pittsburg, Kans., July 10-12
J. M. SNYDER, Overseer

Meadville, Miss. Dist. Conv'n.

The Meadville, Miss., district convention convened at Byrd's Chapel April 27-29, inclusive. Wonderful is only a mild expression of what the convention really was. Voicing the sentiment of everyone present, it was one of the best ever convening in the state.

The convention opened Friday evening with prayer, songs, remarks by the state overseer, Brother T. M. McClendon, and welcome to the spirit of heaven in a general way. Bro. Horace Taylor, pastor of the church, made everyone feel that "It's good to be here" by his most hearty welcome. Responses were rendered by Sisters F. W. Alexander, Ora Mae Ruff, and Brother Thermon Pearson. Then Brother A. J. Gardner of Hattiesburg ushered us into a heavenly atmosphere by his timely message from the gospel of Christ.

Saturday morning was filled with blessings as our minds were aroused to the great need of being established when Brother Jim Evans of Brookhaven delivered his message at the 10:30 hour. Following him Brother Wm. R. Fowler of Morgantown stirred the godly zeal in Christian hearts with a message, "What the Church Means to Me." I believe many hearts caught a greater and larger vision of the true value of the Church. During this convention on Saturday afternoon Brother T. M. McClendon, state overseer, called a council of the ministers for the benefit of making improvements of the work in the state in a general way. Saturday evening hearts were inspired by two good messages, "Reward for the Faithful" by Sister Ora Mae Ruff of Texas and "God's Best" by Brother Oscar McManus of Louisiana. Surely they were at their best for God gave His approval.

Sunday morning Brother A. J. Beard of Morgantown aroused the missionary spirit by his timely theme, "Missions." May we all be missionaries for God by our means. Brother T. M. McClendon pushed the convention farther on with a heaven-sent message on "Fellowship." The spirit of heaven stirred hearts to praise. Sunday afternoon after having enjoyed a feast of natural blessings prepared by the good sisters of that community, Bro. Gardner boosted the Sun-

day School work. Then churches of the district rallied with good reports.

Sunday evening beginning at 6:45 the Y. P. E. gave a program that was enjoyed by all. It stressed the necessities of the Y. P. E. The young people were glad to have Brother James Walker of Louisiana as a visitor to the convention, and enjoyed his good singing immensely. The convention reached the climax and blessings came. Sister Ruff, after the Y. P. E. service, delivered an evangelistic message, "No Room." Hearts were stirred and many came seeking to make room for Jesus.

The convention closed with hearts zealous to labor in the vineyard of the Lord.
—Mava Jean Morgan.

Hattiesburg, Miss. Dist. Convention

The Hattiesburg, Miss. district convention convened at Morgantown April 3-5, and proved a great success. The convention opened Friday evening with songs, prayers, and remarks by Brother T. M. McClendon, state overseer. Then came the word of welcome by the local pastor, Wm. R. Fowler. I am confident by the time Brother Fowler had finished his discourse each visitor was feeling quite at home and continued to do so throughout the convention, for the Morgantown people are a grand example of the good southern hospitality. Responses were given by the following: Brother Horace Taylor, Sister Alexander, and Brother George Tingle. The subject for the evening was "Lifting the Bible Standard."

Saturday morning we assembled at the appointed hour to be favored with two timely discourses which were ably delivered by Brothers Horace Taylor and S. B. Webb. These messages proved very beneficial to the convention. Saturday afternoon was taken up with the ministers' council. Saturday evening services opened with songs, prayer and praises. Then Brother McClendon boosted the Evangel, after which Brother J. D. Taylor brought the message on "Our Responsibilities." Many good things were said on this worthy subject.

Sunday morning service began at ten o'clock with a heaven-inspired song service, after which Brother Gardner from Hattiesburg spoke on "The Sunday School Work." Brother Gardner has this work at heart, which enables him to be a competent booster for same. We need more of just such boosters. Following the Sunday School message Brother McClendon brought a soul-stirring message which sent a firm desire to hearts to build on the right foundation, works that will stand. In the afternoon Brother Lentz from Mt. Sinai spoke on "Missions." We

are happy to note that the Church of God is catching the missionary zeal. Mississippi is making progress in behalf of the mission cause as well as on some other lines of the work. An offering was taken for this worthy cause. Next came the reports of the churches. There were some good reports, proving that Mississippi is making progress.

After the reports the convention came to a close. It seemed the delegates departed to their respective fields of labor with new determination to do their best for the Master and hear His words of "Well done."

We are in a revival here which continued from the convention. Please pray for souls to receive Jesus into their lives.
—Ora Mae Ruff.

Lord Blessing in Every Way

LEADWOOD, Mo.—I praise the Lord for His great love to me. I am glad that I'm saved and have a desire to work for Him. I thank Him for His healing power. I have trusted Him for ten years for both soul and body and He's never failed me in any test or trial.

The Lord is with us at Leadwood. Our Sunday School is growing and the saints are being blessed in every way. We are planning on plastering and painting our church building in the near future.

We praise God for our good pastor and family. He is a real man of God and his soul-stirring messages and prayers really encourage our hearts to go through with Jesus. When you pray, remember to call our names and ask God to give us a real outpouring of His Holy Spirit. We are praying and expecting an old-time, Holy Ghost revival.—Willis W. Dillow, clerk.

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Christ is tempted. He beginneth to preach. ST. MATTHEW, 4, 5.

13 ¶ Then cometh Jē'sus from Galilee to Jordān unto Jōhn, to be baptized of him.
14 But Jōhn forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?
15 And Jē'sus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now; for thus

A. D. 28.

CHAP. 3.

ch. 2. 22.

§ Dan. 9. 24.

§ Mark 1. 10.

13 And leaving Nāz'a-rēth, he came and dwelt in Cā-per'nā-ūm, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zāb'u-lon and Nēph'thā-līm:
14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by E-sā'as the prophet, saying,
15 The land of Zāb'u-lon, and the

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